

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT

APPLICANT:

Axel vom Endt

GROUP ART UNIT: 2862

SERIAL NO.:

10/785,447

EXAMINER: Bru B. Shrivastav

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CONFIRMATION NO.: 8503

TITLE:

"GRADIENT COIL FOR MRT AND METHOD FOR MAKING

SAME"

MAIL STOP PETITION

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SIR:

The above-referenced application was held to be abandoned in a Notice of Abandonment dated September 8, 2006. The reason for the holding of abandonment was a statement that no reply was received to the Office Letter mailed on December 29, 2005. A review of PAIR for this application indicates that there was no letter mailed on December 29, 2005 in connection with this application, however, a Notice of Informal or Non-Response Amendment was mailed on December 30, 2005, and since this was the last communication from the Patent and Trademark Office prior to the abandonment, Applicant assumes that this was the communication for which allegedly no response was received at the Patent and Trademark Office.

On January 16, 2006, Applicant did file a Response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, and this was received at the Patent and Trademark Office on January 18, 2006. A copy of that Response and a copy of the return postcard with a date stamped thereon indicating receipt at the Patent and Trademark Office on January 18, 2006 are attached hereto.

As stated in that Response, the original Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment was erroneously sent. The Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment stated that the drawings attached to the Response filed on December 19, 2005 were not identified as "Replacement Sheet". As stated in the aforementioned Response, as could easily have been ascertained, if Applicant's Response had actually been read, the drawing attached to the Response filed December 19, 2005 was not intended as an application drawing, but was an Exhibit used to explain and illustrate Applicant's arguments in support of patentability. This could easily have been ascertained by a very quick review of Applicant's Response, wherein no drawing amendment whatsoever was indicated.

Therefore, there was no need to designate the drawing as a Replacement Sheet, and therefore the Notice of Non-Compliance Amendment was erroneously sent. This error has now been compounded by the failure to properly docket Applicant's timely filed Response, which resulted in the aforementioned Notice of Abandonment.

Restoration of the application to active status and preparation of a Response to Applicant's timely filed Response to the September 17, 2005 Office Action are therefore respectfully requested.

Submitted by,

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MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

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SIR:

A Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment was mailed on December 30, 2005 stating that the drawing that was attached to the Response filed December 19, 2005 was not identified as a "Replacement Sheet". This is correct, because as could easily have been ascertained if Applicant's Response had been actually read, it would have been readily apparent that the attached drawing is not intended as an application drawing, but is merely an exhibit used to explain and illustrate Applicant's arguments in support of patentability. This could easily have been ascertained by a very quick review of Applicant's response, wherein no drawing amendment whatsoever was indicated.

There is no need to designate the drawing as a replacement sheet, and therefore early reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

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